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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 1-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter. These rejections are traversed.

As an initial matter, the claims allegedly recite non-statutory subject matter because they allegedly do not produce a useful, concrete, and tangible result. As amended, each of the independent claims 1, 15, and 20 recite storing a prepared displayname, which is submitted as being a useful, concrete, and tangible result. Thus, at least this portion of the rejection should be withdrawn.

In addition, the preamble of claim 20 has been amended to recite, in part "[a]n article comprising a tangible, machine-readable medium." As the office action made the distinction between tangible and non-tangible mediums, with tangible mediums being allegedly statutory, the claims have been amended to indicate a tangible, machine-readable medium.

Thus, the rejection of all the claims under section 101 should be withdrawn.

Prior Art Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103

Claims 1-9, 13-17, and 20-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Giles J. Burgess (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0033286; "Burgess"). Claims 10-11, 18, and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Burgess in view of Koppolu et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,401,099; "Koppolu"). Claims 12, 19 and 23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Burgess in view of Daniel G. Pouzzner (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0044791; "Pouzzner"). These rejections are traversed.

Overview

Independent claims 1, 15, and 20 are not anticipated by Burgess; thus, these claims should be allowed. In particular, the amended independent claims include features directed to a displayname being a name of a data resource to display to an end-user of an application instead of a resource identifier of the data resource, and the resource identifier to identify the data

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resource within the repository rather than the displayname; which are not disclosed in Burgess, thus, Burgess does not anticipate the claims.

Amended Claims

As amended, the independent claims include features discussed above. For example, claim 1 recites, in part:

“receiving input corresponding to a displayname of a data resource, the displayname being a name of the data resource to display to an end-user of an application instead of a resource identifier of the data resource;

preparing the resource identifier of the data resource within a repository based on the input and naming conventions associated with the repository, the resource identifier to identify the data resource within the repository rather than the displayname.”

Burgess

Burgess is alleged to include a displayname and resource identifier; in particular, the displayname of the claims is alleged to be a message digest of Burgess and the displayname of the claims is alleged to be a CSFN (Content-Specific Filename) of Burgess.

As an example of Burgess's disclosure, in FIG. 2, a message digest is received and used to generate a CSFN. In Burgess, a message digest is a fixed-length binary number that uniquely characterizes file contents. ¶ 0016. A CSFN is a character string of predetermined length, which represents a legal filename that characterizes the file contents and is generated from a message digest. ¶ 0016. Both the message digest and CSFN are practically unique. ¶ 0016-- i.e., they are designed such that there is never expected to be two like message digests or two like CSFN's.

Amended Claims Include Features Not in Burgess

As amended, the displayname of the claims is not the same as the message digest of Burgess, and the combination of the displayname of the claims and the resource identifier of the claims is not the same as the combination of the message digest and CSFN of Burgess.

For example, the message digest of Burgess is a fixed-length binary number that uniquely characterizes file contents; but, unlike a displayname of the independent claims, the message digest is not a name of the data resource to display to an end-user of an application instead of a resource identifier of the data resource. For example, in Burgess a message digest is not displayed instead of a CSFN.

As another example, the combination of a displayname that is displayed to an end-user of an application instead of a resource identifier of the data resource and the resource identifier

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identifying the data resource within the repository of the resource identifier is not disclosed in Burgess as the combination of the message digest and CSFN are not disclosed with these features. For example, a message digest is not displayed instead of a CSFN and that CSFN is not then used to identify a resource.

Advantageously, in some implementations, these features may allow for multiple displaynames being the same and being displayed in lieu of their respective resource identifiers which differ to ensure unique identification of the data resources in a same repository. ¶ 14 (“multiple word processing documents may have the same displayname within a file folder”).

Thus, the independent claims are not anticipated by Burgess as they include features not disclosed in Burgess.

As claims 2-14, 16-19, and 21-23 depend on independent claims 1, 15, and 20, these claims should also be allowed for at least the reasons stated above. It is further submitted that features of the independent claims are not disclosed in either Koppolu or Pouzzner; thus, any dependent claims rejected under a combination of two or more of Burgess, Koppolu, and Pouzzner should be withdrawn.

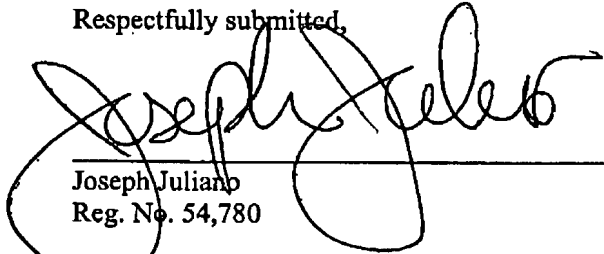
Concluding Comments

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

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A petition for a one-month extension of time is requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the one-month extension fee and any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 34874-097.

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